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	The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty	
0-6	Receiving Office (specified by the applicant)	Japan Patent Office (RO/JP)
0-7	Applicant's or agent's file reference	2004S00625
Ī	Title of Invention	LOW YIELD RATIO, HIGH STRENGTH, HIGH TOUGHNESS, THICK STEEL PLATE AND WELDED STEEL PIPE, AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME
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<u>v</u>	DESIGNATIONS		
V-1	The filing of this request constitutes under Rule 4.9(a), the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents.		
VI-1	Priority claim of earlier national application		
VI-1-1	Filing date	12 June 2003 (12.06.2003)	
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VI-3	Priority claim of earlier national application	·
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VI-6	Priority document request	
	The receiving Office is requested to prepare and transmit to the international Bureau a certified copy of the earlier application(s) identified above as litem(s):	VI-1, VI-2, VI-3, VI-4, VI-5
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VII-1	International Searching Authority Chosen	Japan Patent Office (ISA/JP)
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9	Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract	11	
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10-5	International Searching Authority	ISA/JP
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